

## REPUBLICAN PARTY OF VIRGINIA

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February 15, 2002

Mr. Scott B. Walker Reports Analyst Pederal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

Reference: 12 Day Pre-Special Report (1/1/01-5/30/01)

Identification Number: C00001305

Dear Mr. Walker:

In response to your letter of January 30, 2002, regarding your review of the above referenced report, we have filed an amended report, and offer the following explanations:

Schedule D has been corrected in amendment. We are also filing an amended report for the period 11/28/00-12/31/00 (enclosed). This amendment was necessary to correct the beginning balances.

All occupation and employer information that we have been able to obtain for itemized contributors are in the amended reports. We routinely include in our solicitations for contributions requests for contributor information and an explanation of the federal law requirements for reporting the same. Our normal follow-up procedure is to call (if local) the contributor to request the missing information. If unable to call, we send a letter to the contributor with a response section and a business reply envelope to return it in.

The amended report contains the missing H1 schedules.

The transfers from the Republican National Committee and the National Republican Congressional Committee are correct as reported. These transfers were not made specifically to fund the activity you inquired about (our purchase of "sign stakes"). The disbursement for the purchase of sign stakes was actually for stakes for our State Convention signs to identify seating arrangements for local delegations participating in the nomination of state candidates for Governor, Lt. Governor and Attorney General. The amendment reflects this correctly under the allocable expenses- line 21a.

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Regarding administrative expenses (specifically - rent), the Obenshain Foundation rents this building to us for \$1.00 per year.

The amendment filed for 11/28/00-12/31/00 corrects the ending balance and, therefore, the beginning balance for the referenced report.

Regarding your inquiry as to aggregate year-to-date totals for certain contributions, specifically those of Ruble Hord, his contributions have been corrected in the amended reports.

With reference to the tax check-off checks we receive from the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Taxation, we had been directed previously by the FEC to report them on line 11a since they actually come from individuals who exercise the option on their state individual income tax forms to make a contribution to us. If this is incorrect, please advise, and we will report them on line 17 henceforth.

Sincerely,

RICHARD F. NEEL, JR.

Treasurer

RFN: tpd